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Council Women Choose Officers

NEW YORK—Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune chairman of the National Council of Negro Women, was elected president of that organization at its recent third meeting in the 137th Street YWCA.

Her term ends in October, 1937. Other officers seleced for a similar period are:

Mrs. Clara B. Bruce, New York, first vice-president; Mrs. Christine Smith, Detroit, second vice-president; Dr. Eudora Ashburn, Chicago, third vice-president; Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, Washington, fourth vice-president; Mrs. Florence K. Williamson, New York, recording secretary;

Dean Lucy D. Slowe, Washington, executive secretary; Mrs. Addie W. Dickerson, Philadelphia, treasurer, and Mrs. Eunice H. Carter parlimentarian.

The chief business transacted by the women was the final approval of the constitution governing the council. They also discussed the council's work throughout the nation as it will effect their interests and made plans for launching a program for bringing the thought and influence of women to bear upon matters affecting them.

Among others attending the meeting were:

Mrs. Florence Richardson, Attorney Eunice H. Carter; Mesdames George S. Williams, Abbie M. Johnson, Adah B. Thoms, Lillian A. Alexander, Harriet Butcher, Ruth Avery and Ida L. Jackson;

Mesdames Addie W. Dickerson, John Hope, Sr., Mabel K. Staupers and Velma Buckner; Misses Belle Davis and Anne Weston.

MRS. BETHUNE IS ELECTED TO HEAD WOMEN'S COUNCIL

Mrs. Terrell and Dean Lucy D. Slowe Honored At Meeting

The National Council of Negro Women held its third meeting at the 137th Street Branch of the Young Women's Christian Association in New York on Thursday, December 17.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, chairman of the council presided and the following women representing their respective organizations attended:

Mrs. Florence Richardson, representing Iota Phi Lambda Sorority; Attorney Eunice H. Carter; Mrs. George S. Williams, representing the National League of the Republican Colored Women; Mrs. Abbie M. Johnson, representing the Women of the Elks Fraternity; Mrs. Adah B. Thomas, representing The Lincoln Nurses Alumni;

Miss Belle Davis, representing the National Health Circle for Colored People, Inc.; Mrs. Clara B. Bruce; Mrs. Lillian A. Alexander, Mrs. Harriet Shadd Butcher, Mrs. Ruth Avery, and Mrs. Ida L. Jackson, representing the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority;

Mrs. Addie W. Dickinson, representing the International Council of Women of Darker Races; Mrs. John Hope, Sr., representing the International Council of Women of Darker Races; Miss Anne Weston, representing The Sigma Camma Rho Sorority; Mrs. Mabel Keaton Staupers, representing the National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses; Miss Velma Buckner, representing the W.P.A. Art Project of the District of Columbia; Mrs. Bethune, chairman of the organization and Dean Lucy D. Slowe, representating the National Association of College Women.

The chief business transacted was the final approval of the constitution governing the council. The council discussed at length its work throughout the nation as it will affect the interests of women and made plans for launching a program of policies and procedures for bringing the thought and influence of women to bear upon matters affecting them.

The following officers were elected for the term ending in October: Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, Daytona Beach, Florida, president; Mrs. Clara B. Bruce, New York City, first vice president; Mrs. Christine Smith, Detroit, Michigan, second vice president; Dr. Eudora Ashburn, Chicago, third vice president; Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, Washington, D. C., fourth vice president; Mrs. Florence K. Williamson, New York City, recording secretary; Dean Lucy D. Slowe, Washington, D. C., executive secretary; Mrs. Addie W. Dickerson, Philadelphia, treasurer and Mrs. Eunice Hunton Carter, parlimentarian

WOMEN'S ASS'N WILL CONVENE IN FORT WORTH

Mass Meeting Will Open Sessions Sunday

CHICAGO, Apil 7.—(ANP)—The National Association of Colored Women will hold its annual convention this year in Fort Worth, Texas, August 9-16, according to an announcement made here Friday by President Dr. Mary F. Waring. The sessions will be preceded by a mammoth mass meeting, participated in by the citizens of Fort Worth and of Texas, and will be held on Sunday, August 8. The convention proper will open Monday, August 9.

Special trains are being planned by the transportation committee of the NACW, to carry the delegates for Northern states into Texas. President Waring said the Eastern women would assemble at Philadelphia, proceed to Cleveland and then go to Fort Worth via Chicago, St. Louis or Kansas City. In this manner, she said, provisions could be made for special trains to accomodate the delegates.

Ohio Club Woman Flays Leadership of National Women's Association

By MRS. M. E. BARNES

OBERLIN, Ohio— (ANP)— As president of the Ohio State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, Inc., I have decided to say aloud some of the things I have been thinking for some time, that the present policies of the National Association of Colored Women are both wasteful and unsound.

In a vain attempt to appear what it is not, the program has been spread over so much territory that its efforts are ineffectual. About the toughest spot in any organization is to be on a board whose duty is to raise money. I sought this appointment in 1935, at Cleveland, because I was determined to help save headquarters. I am proud of the way we have worked, but am not pleased with the accomplishments.

The results in Ohio's drive would have been more satisfactory had it not been for the unfortunate controversy over the organization of the National Council of Women. We were able to get across the fact, as I understood it, that the National Council was meant to be an organization of national bodies.

Hits Dual Taxation

There is also a question as to the wisdom of taxing the clubs further to pay for national headquarters in Washington established through the efforts of Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, when the Douglass Home at Anacostia, D. C., which could be used as a national headquarters is in such great need of repair and the Hallie Q. Brown scholarship fund has fallen so short of the $50,000, we set out to raise.

Therein lies our difficulty—we undertake too much at once, never finishing what we begin.

When in 1916, we had the opportunity to save the Douglass Home the task was easy because there was absolute solidarity of work. Now if that was not the objective, those of us who led the clubs to work and give until they felt the burden were misled and should somehow apologize for our mistake and now that the home is paid for, forget it, and buy another.

The Hallie Q. Brown Scholarship Fund is a wonderful idea. I believe, however, that if this fund should be for graduate work only instead of a duplication of what already is being done in many States—that it would be a better plan.

Mrs. Bethune Lauded

I have the highest respect for Mrs. Bethune and know that she meant well when she launched the idea of buying headquarters. A large sum has been raised, but as might have been expected, the enthusiasm has died down and the drive has gone flat. Our work must remain elementary in many instances at least until our young women become more interested in club work and in our program.

ROBINSON OPUS GETS 10 WEEKS IN PARIS

NEW YORK, April 29.— The call to Europe which during the last decade has kept a steady flow of race talent traveling back and forth across the great Atlantic ocean, taking with it such great personalities of the world beyond the heat and glare of the incandescent circle as Josephine Baker, Valaida Snow, Paul Robeson, Nina Mae McKinney, Adelaide Hall, Duke Ellington, and others, is today heard again.

This time it comes to the ears of those whose efforts, coupled with those of Clarence Robinson, made the initial offering of the Boradway Cotton Club a success here that was heard of around the world.

The revue, as produced by Robinson with each idea intact is scheduled to sail for Europe May 22. Upon arrival on foreign shores, the revue will entrain for Paris, France, where it has been signed for a ten weeks' engagement at the Ambassador there.

Completing the ten weeks there, the show which is at present cast with the orchestra of Lucky Millinder, the Berry Brothers, the Tramp Band, Whyte's Lindy Hoppers, and twenty-four dancing and show girls, will move into London, England, where a six weeks' engagement has already been set. The entire revue will be under the personal supervision of Clarence Robinson, who will sail with it on the 22nd.

Clubwomen Have A Charge To Keep In The Frederick Douglass Memorial

Defender 5-15-37 Chicago, Ill.

'Cedar Hill' To Be A Museum For Generations Yet Unborn

Frederick Douglass left in his will his estate, Cedar Hill, to his wife, Mrs. Helen Pitt Douglass, but neglected to have his will witnessed by three people, which is necessary under the code of the District of Columbia to pass real estate. After his death, Mrs. Douglass purchased the interests of the heirs, his children by a former wife, for the sum of $15,000 in order to make it a national monument and memorial to the memory of her illustrious husband, Frederick Douglass.

Being left without funds to maintain herself and the estate, Mrs. Douglass found it necessary to put a mortgage of $5,500 on the estate. For its protection, development and perpetuation, Mrs. Douglass organized a trustee board of nine outstanding men, one of whom, Rev. Francis J. Grimke, of Washington, D. C., was made chairman. These nine men were appointed by Mrs. Douglass and their organization was named "The Frederick Douglass Memorial and Historical Association." Before she died she succeeded in having this association incorporated by an act of Congress and the home and estate exempted from taxation. At her death she willed the estate to the association to be kept forever as a memorial to her husband.

Into "Cedar Hill" were to be gathered all the mementoes connected with Mr. Douglass' life and everything connected with the history of the anti-slavery struggle. The trustees enlarged the idea by wishing to incorporate with her proposed collection all matters relating to the history of the Race in America and to gather within its walls the pictures and busts of its most distinguished and useful men and women.

All of the household furniture, books, statuary, paintings, pictures of every kind, silverware and all other articles of personal property with a few exceptions were also willed to the association.

This association of men succeeding in reducing the $5,500 mortgage to $4,000 after several years of effort. Becoming discouraged, in 1916 they appealed to the National Association of Colored Women, then meeting in Baltimore, Md., that they should assume the responsibilities of the home, its care, debts, etc.

A committee from the National Association of Colored Women was appointed to go to Washington, look over the place, make necessary investigation and its decision was to be sustained by the national body. The action of this committee is better told in the words of Mrs. Mary B. Talbert, elected president of the association at its Baltimore meeting.

"We realize that today is the psychological moment for us as women to show our true worth and to prove that the Negro woman of today measures up to those strong, sainted women of our race, who passed through the fire of slavery and its galling remembrances.

"The committee sent out to investigate the Frederick Douglass Home, after carefully studying the situation and consulting with the Judge Robert H. Terrell, Hon. J. C. Napier, and Mrs. Addie Dickerson, superintendent of our legislative department, hereby declare our purpose to wipe out the indebtedness on the home of the late Frederick Douglass and to restore it to its former beauty, that we may make of this historic place a hallowed spot where our boys and girls may gather during the years to come and receive hope and inspiration and encouragement to go forth like Douglasss and fight to win.

"We need $15,000 for the saving and restoration of the home and grounds."

Sincerely your co-workers,

The Douglass Home Committee,
Florence Randolph, Jersey City, N. J.
Maggie L. Walker, Richmond, Va.
Elizabeth C. Carter, New Bedford, Conn.
Victoria Clay Haley, St. Louis, Mo.
Hallie Q. Brown, chairman of executive board, Wilberforce, Ohio
Nettie L. Napier, treasurer, Nashville, Tenn.
Nannie H. Burroughs, chairman, Washington, D. C.
Mary B. Talbert, president, Buffalo, N. Y.

After assuming responsibility by the National Association of Colored Women, a new board of trustees was elected—with membership of women members of the national association. The charter restricted the membership to nine, but there was no restriction on an advisory board, which was elected to this trustee board. It consisted of 11 women.

Two years later, in 1918, the National Association of Colored Women met in Denever, Colo. At this meeting the report showed that all indebtedness had been paid and the mortgage was burned. This was designated as "THE REDEMPTION."

A report of "THE RESTORATION" was not made until the meeting in Richmond, Va., in 1922. At the close of this meeting, the entire association went to Washington where most elaborate dedication exercises were held.

In 1928, a caretaker's cottage was completed and dedicated, thus removing from the house proper all features of housekeeping and leaving it free for the purpose for which it was intended.

Mrs. Nettie L. Napier is now president of the trustee board.

Mrs. R. R. Moton to Speak Here October 24

Planet 10-16-37

The Virginia State Federation, of which Mrs. L. B. Burns of Charlottesville, is president, with other women of Richmond, will present Mrs. R. R. Moton, president of the National Association of Colored Women of the U. S. A. on October 23 and 24. An informal reception will be given in the Girls' Dormitory at the Virginia Union University on Saturday night the 23rd, and a public meeting at the First African Baptist Church, Sunday, October 24th, at 3.30 o'clock p. m.

The clubs throughout the State will be represented. The Council of Colored Women of this city, Mrs. Drusilla Gilpin, president, being the oldest club will act as hostess for this auspicious occasion.

The public is cordially invited to be present. Many distinguished visitors from out of the city and in the city and state will take a part on the program.

Mrs. W. T. Johnson, chairman of the Committee of Arrangements; Mrs. H. N. Walker, vice chairman.

THIS MONUMENT MUST BE KEPT

The Frederick Douglass Home, Cedar Hill, Anacostia, Washington, D.C.

Women Push Move To Secure Separate Asylum For Youths

Journal and Guide 10-30-37

PETERSBURG, Va.—The Woman's Council of Petersburg acted as hostesses to the officers' meeting of the Virginia State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs which met here Saturday, October 23, and outlined a five-point program in the civic interest of the State of Virginia.

Foremost among the objectives of the group was the establishment of an institution for feebleminded children in the state. The other points in the program were: Completion of plans for the erection of a memorial gate and fountain at the Girl's Industrial School at Peake, Va.; celebration of the 30th anniversary of the State Federation at Hampton Institute in June, 1938; a special financial drive to raise $1,000 to carry out a fuller program, and the establishment of a College Girls Conference in connection with the Ida W. Bagnall Junior Department of the State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs.

Among those attending the recent meeting were were Mrs. Janice P. Barrett, Peake, Va., honorary president; Mrs. Wanser I. Webb, Norfolk, chairman of the board of control; Mrs. Lizzie P. Burns, Charlottesville, president; Miss Maria Burk, Richmond, 2nd vice president; Mrs. Irma B. Thompson, Newport News, recording secretary; Mrs. Lillian W. Dixon, Hampton, ass't recording secy.; Mrs. Luella Goff, Covington, corresponding secy.; Mrs. Hazel Reid, Portsmouth, treasurer and custodian; Mrs. M. E. Evans, Alexandria, chairman of the executive board; Miss Helen Robinson, Alexandria, chairman of the Junior Department; Miss Carrie Sharp, Petersburg, state organizer; Mrs. T. C. Erwin, Newport News, district organizer, and Mrs. C. P. Hedrich, Suffolk, chairman ways and means committee.

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Mrs. Moton Appeals To Federated Women

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. (ANP) —A nation-wide appeal to the colored club women of the country to support the plans and program of the National Association of Colored Women was sent out this week by the Association's newly elected president, Mrs. R. R. Moton, nationally known woman leader and the wife of Dr. R. R. Moton, president-emeritus of Tuskegee Institute. Said Mrs. Moton:

"I believe we are going to count it a happy privilege to work together and to complete the unfinished tasks remaining before us. Individually and collectively, let us check up on our.

1. National Tax:

"Every single woman in every Federated Club is required to pay a National Tax of 50c per pear. How many Federated Clubs are in your state? How many members are there in every club? Give your State presidents the support that is due them. Make it possible for the National Assembly, at our next Biennial Meeting in Boston, Mass., to know your strength in membership by the amount of National Tax sent.

"2—Headquarters:

"There is still a deficit of more than $10,000 on Headquarters. In this sacred obligation, shall we surrender or retreat? NEVER. Women, let us pay that debt—now. With everybody determined to do this, we are going to find the task easy, to say nothing of the joy we shall have in a combined effort.

"I am putting before you the two above mentioned objectives, and am urging that we form an immediate Phalanx, for the purpose of collecting our National Tax in its entirety, and of making National Headquarters (here in Washington, D. C.) our very own before January 1, 1938."

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President Waring Calls Attention To Women's Club Convention Programs

National Magazine Now In The Making She Says In Message

DR. MARY F. WARING

To "The National Association of Colored Women, Inc.,"

Dear Co-Worker:

The Convention Number of "The Woman's National Magazine" is now in the making. It is our desire and intention to make this number unusual, interesting and historical. To do this the cooperation of every regional, state and city president is necessary. This cooperation must be given at once, for time will not permit of delay.

Each regional and state president is herein invited and urged to send to the office of The Woman's National Magazine, 4557 South Michigan avenue, Chicago, Ill., a short write-up of not more than 300 words covering the high points of her regional or state work, accompanied by her picture and $3 to cover the cost of a cut. This must be done by JUNE FIRST. Uniform cuts of state presidents will be made. Smaller cuts of city presidents will be made for $2. These cuts will be sent to Fort Worth, Texas to be printed in the OFFICIAL PROGRAM. Twenty or more copies of the Convention Number can be had at eight cents each and retailed at 15 cents each. Back numbers can be had also at this price. Past state presidents and groups are also featured in this number.

The Missouri and Pacific and the C. and A. lines have been selected. Transportation Chairman Mrs. Annette Officer will send you another circular letter as her plans mature. Write her at 2114 Missouri avenue, East St. Louis, Ill. Write Mrs. R. A. Ransom, 1115 East Terrell avenue, Fort Worth, Texas, for homes. For further information on national dues for the NACW and the NACG, write Mrs. Sallie W. Stewart, executive secretary, 800 Lincoln avenue, Evansville, Ind.

General chairman, Adabelle DeMent

State president, C. H. Christian

State chairman, R. A. Ransom

State chairman of program, Christine S. Smith, Detroit, Mich.

Local chairman of program, W. A. Brackeen.

Music, Maude Roberts George.

The state committee on entertainment of the National Association of Colored Women met in Fort Worth, Sunday, April 26. Outstanding women from all over the state were present and conferred with the national president, Dr. Mary Fitzbutler Waring and Mrs. A. B. DeMent of the board of control on plans for the comfort and pleasure of the women of the nation during the biannual meeting, July 25-31.

The women of Texas are alive with pleasurable anticipation of the coming of the national. So keen is their enthusiasm that the men of Fort Worth have organized into an advisory board to aid in preparation for the national entertainment. Mr. O. C. Crook is chairman of the board. Mrs. C. H. Christian, president of Texas Federation; Mrs. L. M. Johnson, president of Fort Worth Federation, and Mrs. R. A. Ransom, chairman of State Planning committee, are working with untiring effort to make this session of the NACW the finest from every angle in its history. "The eyes of Texas are upon you."

The fine thing is that the women all over the state are combining to really put over the biggest convention ever.

For the meeting of the National Association of Colored Women at Fort Worth in July, we have selected the Alton Railroad and Missouri Pacific line, feeling that they can best serve the majority. Following is the regular daily train schedule:

Leave Chicago, 11:40 a.m., via Alton railroad—today.

Arrive at St. Louis, 5:10 p.m., via Aalton railroad—today.

Leave St. Louis, 5:30 p.m., via Missouri Pacific lines—today.

Leave Memphis, 10:30 p.m., via Missouri Pacific lines—today.

Arrive at Dallas, 9:30 a.m., via Missouri Pacific lines—tomorrow.

Arrive at Fort Worth, 10:15 a.m., via Missouri Pacific lines—tomorrow.

From the above you will note that by leaving Chicago as late as 12:40 p.m., daylight time, we will be in Fort Worth, the following morning, "over night." This, in connection with the famous "Alton Limited" from the new Union Station, Chicago, and the Missouri Pacific's "Sunshine Special."

The above schedule shows service from Chicago, St. Louis, and Memphis. Those from the East—New York, Pittsburgh, Detroit, Cincinnati, Louisville, etc., would all meet up with the Special either at Chicago or St. Louis.

From the Southeast—Atlanta, Birmingham, Nashville, etc., travel via Memphis, meeting up with our train at Little Rock where our **entire party** would travel together on the same train into Fort Worth. Wonderful! Come join us!

Round trip, 30 days (all leaving the same time) for a party of 75 or more from Chicago to Fort Worth (stopping at the Dallas Exposition, if desired), $19.10. From St. Louis, Mo. (Annette Officer, national chairman's home), $13.60. From Memphis, Tenn. (Marie Baker secretary), $10. Similar rates from other concentration points, such as Atlanta, Richmond, New York, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Cincinnati and Louisville; choice of way by Memphis or St. Louis. Rates will be mailed for Kansas City, Des Moines and points west and northwest.

Yours, in
"Lifting as We Climb,"
Mary F. Waring,
President of NACW.

Empire State Women And Girls Meet

Pilgrimage Made To Harriet Tubman's Monument

ITHACA, N. Y.—The twenty-ninth annual convention of the empire state federation of Women's Clubs, Inc., and the fifth annual convention of the empire state association of Colored Girls, met jointly July 6-8 at the A. M. E. Zion Church.

The girls session was held July 6, Miss Luella McIntyre, presiding. Addresses were made by the state president, Mrs. Cicely Gunner, Mrs. Jane DeMond, Miss Elma Plummer and Attorney Robert A. Burrell of Buffalo, N. Y. Mrs. Rhoda Townsend was among the discussion leaders.

The women's session was carried through July 7 and 8, featured by reports of all state officers, a health conference, arts and crafts display, the regional reports, and a pilgrimage to the monument of Harriette Tubman. Addresses were made by Mrs. Thomas Barker of Ithaca; Miss Estelle Felton of Albany; Mayor Joseph Meyers; Mrs. Cicely Gunner, state president; Golden Darby, and Mrs. Bessie Payne.

Georgia

Vice-President

MRS. A. S. CLARKE

One of the finest results of organized consecutive club effort is the Georgia Training school for Colored Girls at Macon, Ga. This project represents the work of four administrations whose presidents were Mesdames Georgia S. Williams, Rebecca Stiles Taylor, Mattie L. Walker and Florence J. Hunt.

Origin and Birthplace of the Idea

It had its incipiency in the mind of Mrs. Alice Dugged Carey, fourth president of the Georgia federation, who was very instrumental in securing the training school for Race boys. On the campus of Haines Institute, Augusta, Ga., founded by the woman who was made honorary president of the Georgia federation without having served as president—the noted and much-beloved Lucy Craft Laney, president of Haines Institute, and at the close of Mrs. Carey's eight years of service to the federation, August, 1921, definite action was taken by the federation and its new president, Mrs. Williams, was authorized to open the campaign for funds with which to purchase a training school for delinquent Race girls.

The Campaign Opens

At Brunswick, Ga., 1922, Mrs. A. M. Wilkin of Griffin, Ga., laid down $25 as a personal donation to the fund. This was the initial stroke which was followed by a consecutive and well-arranged program which extended through the administrations of Mesdames Williams, Taylor, Walker and Hunt. Each administration built upon the foregoing one until the last administration had sufficient funds to purchase a 131 acre tract of land just five miles from Macon, Ga., the central city of Georgia, and still have enough left to buy $1,000 worth of government bonds and to hold a neat sum to be used toward the development of the plant which already had a frame building and a well-built barn. The site is between two paved roads and just across from one of the largest aviation fields. It enjoys all modern conveniences such as electric lights and city water.

The Builder

To the four presidents preceding her much credit is due for they wrought well and had the forethought to dove-tail their efforts and protect the funds but to Florence J. Hunt the greatest credit is due for it was she who led a particular board before the state welfare board, interracial commission, Florence Crittendon fund, judges and their wives and the Georgia legislature for the past five years.

There the efforts of Mrs. Hunt and her board the WPA urged by Miss Gay Shepperson and others connected with the state welfare board the sum of $35,600 was given toward the erection of the first unit of the plant. One of the first moves of Governor Rivers was to accept the plant as a gift to the state as a part of the State Training school program for girls. Therefore the plant is now considered a division of the general set-up. The school for white girls is located in Atlanta. Through this measure perpetual maintainence is assured and the federation's board will equip the buildings and pass upon all employees, as well as, supervise generally the entire plant and its management.

The Next Unit

Two thousand five-hundred dollars have already been assured on the next unit by the Florence Crittendon fund toward a $7,000 building for unmarried mothers. It is hoped that in the next year this building will be erected. Work toward this project is being consistently carried on.

The Building

The school will open this fall and will accommodate 30 girls. Besides the dormitory there are six private bedrooms, a clinic, lounge, dining room, kitchen, laundry, baths with tubs and showers, superintendent suite, and it is steam heated. In attendance will be a trained social worker, superintendent and assistant superintendent and a male superintendent of grounds. There will also be a worker from the extension department of the state, who will teach vocational education and NYA workers. In fact, everything that Georgia has in the way of state agents is offered to the program of the plant.

The plant is estimated to be worth now $47,000. Since agriculture is the chief industry of this section of the country the girls will be taught gardening, the care of chickens, cows, hogs, horticulture and stock, as well as, academic and home economic studies.

Social Mention

Standing side by side with Mrs. Hunt throughout her five years' intensive campaign has been Mrs. A. S. Clark, vice president of Georgia and wife of the president of Gillespie Normal school at Cordele, Ga. So anxious and interested in the work of the state has been Mrs. Clark that she has waived her right to the state presidency, which is controlled by a time limit, so as to support the constructive program of the administration.

Prominent among the white friends that have aided in the attempt to build and assure the home are Mrs. Gay B. Shepperson, Representative Murphy Candle, H. B. Hayes, Jr., of the state Department of education; Wade Cashin of the welfare department, Judge and Mrs. Underwood and others. Through President James Dove the Civic club of Athens, Ga., will furnish the library. Dr. Roderick Harris, executive secretary of the Improved Order of the Good Samaritans will equip the clinic. Mrs. A. F. Herndon, vice president of the Atlanta Life Insurance company, will furnish the superintendent's room. Mrs. A. M. Wilkins, the first donee will furnish the assistant superintendent's room and thus it goes.

The 20 city federation and 42 county units, which were largely organized and federated by Mrs. Rebecca Stiles Taylor when she served as supervisor of education for the state department of Ga., have throughout the 5 years steadily and valiently stood by the movement. They are as follows: Macon, Cordele, Waycross, Valdosta. Savannah, Bainbridge, Montezuma, McDonough, albany, Fort Valley, Brunswick, Americus, Athens, Atlanta, Augusta, Griffin, LaGrange, Thomasville, Columbus, Sylvania, Statesboro, Milledgeville, Dawson, Marietta and others.

MRS. GAINES LEAVES JOB FOR CLUBS

Opens Year's Work As Guest Of Hull House Community Club

Because of her new duties as president of the Chicago and Northern District Association of Colored Women, Mrs. Irene M. Gaines resigned her position as caseworker in the division of old age assistance service of the Cook County Bureau of Public Welfare. The resignation became effective September 1.

Last Thursday the entire staff of employees of the Washington district surprised Mrs. Gaines with a testimonial luncheon in the beautiful dining rooms of the Alpha House, 4336 South Parkway, with Lewis Caldwell, Jr., toastmaster.

A beautifully jardinired plant was presented Mrs. Gaines by Miss Bunny Friedman on behalf of the staff. Mrs. Gaines responded by pledging continued loyalty to the ideals of the social service profession. She gave a brief synopsis of the program of work adopted by the federated club women of this city, whom she characterized as the "volunteer staff" of workers in the social service field.

CHICAGO AND NORTHERN

The first quarterly meeting of the Chicago and Northern District association was held in historic Hull House, 800 S. Halsted street, Monday, Sept. 13, at 9:30 a. m.

Officers Reported

All officers, club presidents, chairmen of departments and committees were called on at time scheduled on the agenda which was sent one week prior to the meeting. The clubs paid their dues and budget fees and many pledges for the Children's Home and club house were collected.

Dinner Was Served

Dinner was served at 12:30 by the Hull House Community club. This club was the hostess of the meeting.

Memorial Service Held

The names of the deceased members and those that were ill were handed in to the chaplain, Mrs. Lucy Ware and a touching memorial service was held in their memory.

Mrs. Irene McCoy Gaines, president of the district association presided at the meeting. The convention agenda was as follows:

9:30 a. m., opening, president presiding; prayer by chaplain; minutes; report of executive board; report of board of directors; 10:15 a.m., officers' reports; 10:30-11:30, clubs presidents' reports.

Departmental Reports

11:30-12:10, social service; 12:10-12:30, publicity; 12:30-1:30, dinner, Hull House Community club, hostess; 1:30 p.m., memorial service, conducted by chaplain; 1:40, club house report; 2:00-2:20, Federated Home for Children; 2:00-2:55, education; 2:55-3:20, fine arts; 3:20-3:55, civics; 3:55, auditor's report, budget, hospitality, finance; 4:15, past officers' council; 4:20, N. A. C. G. report; 4:30, president's report, recommendations, bills, receipts, announcements, adjournment.

National Association of Colored Women, Inc.

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EXPECT STIFF BATTLE FOR PRESIDENCY

20th Biennial Gathering Expected To Surpass All Others

By REBECCA STILES TAYLOR

FORT WORTH, Tex., July 23—Club women from all sections of the country began gathering here this week for the 20th biennial convention of the National Association of Colored Women, Inc. Serving as a beacon of encouragement to women of the Race for over 41 years, the influence of the NACW has been far-reaching, from the domestic fireside to the realm of businessmen, legislators and politicians.

The association is composed of 42 state federations which are combined into five regional federations, namely, the Northeastern, Southeastern, Central, Northwestern and Southwestern. The states represent the union of city, district and county federations which in turn are made up of hundreds of local clubs.

In $25,000 Headquarters

Nine years ago when the national association met in Washington, D. C., where it dedicated its national headquarters building worth $25,000, the paid-in membership amounted to more than $10,000.

The association paid off the debt on the Frederick Douglass Memorial and Historical Home at Anacostia, Washington, D. C., during the administration of President Mary B. Talbert, and through a trustee and advisory board of nine, the association maintains the home as a shrine to the memory of Mr. Douglass. A caretaker's cottage costing $9,000 was built there, so as to secure the protection needed for this valuable piece of property.

The association, under the leadership of Miss Hallie Q. Brown, operates a $50,000 scholarship loan fund for deserving girls and boys. At the biennial convention in 1920, the association established a $1,000 scholarship loan fund at Tuskegee Institute. This has been a wonderful help to numbers of girls and boys. In 1928, the Mary McLeod Bethune's administration purchased the headquarters at 1114 O street, northwest, Washington, D. C., so that the organization would become a fixture in the civic affairs of the country.

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Dr. Mary F. Waring, who has served as the president for the past four years and who, because of the time limit, will retire from the presidency at the Fort Worth meeting, has held the organization together through the most trying times of its life and will turn over to her successor the national body in a better financial shape than when she received it. The delegations are in high spirits and everybody is looking forward to a most wonderful and constructive meeting in Fort Worth. Fort Worth is making great preparations for the comfort of the visitors and assures them that all of their wants will be supplied. This large body of women works through a number of boards, viz; the executive administrative, national headquarters, Frederick Douglass, Hallie Q. Brown, scholarship, and National Association of Colored girls. The association features three outstanding objectives: mother, home and child; women in industry and arts, and crafts. Besides these majors, there are other departments; Phyllis Wheatleys, business, interracial, peace, educational and legislative. These programs extend throughout the states and the local clubs. The personnel of the National Ass'n. of Colored Women represents the most outstanding women of the country.

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The public program and civic night meeting was held Monday, with the city's church, business and professional leaders on hand to welcome the big conclave of clubwomen. Delegations from Boston, Mass., and Shreveport, La., attended the national meeting for the first time, officials said, in seven years and another group, headed by Mrs. DeMardge Tolliver, former president of the Wyoming federation, was among the early arrivals. Early indications were that invitations for next year's convention had already been extended by the Boston group and by Mrs. S. Joe Brown, of Des Moines, Iowa.

"The New Way of Life" was the theme of Wednesday's session, held at Masonic Mosque, one of the largest buildings in Fort Worth, and at Thursday's meeting, held at Mt. Gillead Baptist Church, the theme was "The Better Way of Living," both themes forming the fundamentals of the association's educational program.

A public reception was given in honor of the delegates Wednesday by the Delta Sigma Thetas. The Alpha Kappa Alphas also entertained the visiting sorors and delegates. Dr. and Mrs. Ransom were hosts to the visitors at a reception held Monday evening at their home. After the closing session Saturday, July 31, the delegates, visitors and townspeople were to attend a huge public barbecue to be held in the woods near the city.

As the convention neared its concluding sessions, intense interest was shown in the annuol election of officers and speculation was rife as to who would succeed Dr. Waring as president. Mrs. R. R. Moton, drawing strong support from the Alabama and Mississippi delegations and reputedly bearing the endorsement of the administration, loomed as the prime favorite. Others who promised to offer stiff competition included Mrs. Rebecca Stiles Taylor, now of Chicago, but formerly of Georgia, and Miss Lethia C. Fleming, of Cleveland, president of Ohio Federation of Colored Women, and prominent woman leader of the Middlewest.

Miss Jane Hunter Gives Evaluation of N.A.C.W.

FT. WORTH.—Miss Jane Hunter of Cleveland, nationally known social worker of Cleveland, gave the following evaluation of the National Association of Colored Women's convention which closed here Friday, July 30:

"The National association o Colored Women's Clubs which convened here in Fort Worth found the women of this country with an intelligent view point of problems facing this country. They are enthusiastically seeking a solution of these problems. There is in the air a unanimous sentiment that the young women are determined to work out some of these problems.

Young Woman An Asset

"In every phase of the convention's business, we find the intelligentia of the young women pointing the way out of the many difficulties in which the race finds itself.

The older women who have steered the workings of the convention for the past 30 years, are reluctant to give way to blazing youth for fear there will be danger of an over liberal point of view.

"Another interesting highlight is the manner in which Negro women are executing and dispatching the weighty questions that are placed before them.

"The discipline of the convention is seen in the fine attitude each delegate accords the other.

"Negro women today are thinking and planning in terms of thousands of dollars, how it should be made and spent and the most value it can produce.

"On the subject of women in industry, we find Negro women with a clear understanding of what is expected of the Negro workman. They are alive to the need of organization, they are awake for the demand of better conditions under which to work, they wish to enjoy the benefit of minimum hours and to receive the maximum wage for their labor.

"In the field of politics they realize the danger of the Negro youth getting off on the left wing. The failure of the present democracy to provide industrial and academic education for Negro youth is likely to find the Negro youth over-run in the Communist and Socialist Parties.

Influence Is Widespread

"The Mother-Home-Child program re-emphasized to the point that we find the members of this organization reaching out to the rural as well as urban sections, spreading their influence for better home for mother and child; not forgetting that father needs to be considered in the whole educational outlook.

"Other strong points in the woman's program is the establishing of the Phillys Wheatley houses in large cities to provide homes and to offer a social program with wholesome recreation. There are eight Phyllis Wheatley houses in sections of this country with money valued from $5,000 to $800,000.

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MISS ARSANIA WILLIAMS TO HIGH OFFICE

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Miss Arsania M. Williams of St. Louis was elected vice president, succeeding Mrs. Daisy Lampkin of Pittsburgh. Miss Williams was elevated from the secretaryship of the executive board.

Other Officers

Mrs. Moton had been serving as chairman of the interracial department.

The 1939 biennial convention was voted to Boston. Although many of the delegates were in favor of going to California that state was ruled out when the two California factions failed to agree on which association should entertain the convention.

Other officers of the administrative set-up are: Mrs. Mayme Josenberger, first secretary; Mrs. Nannie Mae Williams, Chicago, second secretary; Mrs. Ida Henderson, Georgia, third secretary; Mrs. Ella P. Stewart, Toledo, treasurer; Mrs. A. B. Dement, Texas, chairman of executive board; Mrs. Maude Brockway, Oklahoma City, parliamentarian; Mrs. L. B. Rouse, Kentucky, statistician; Mrs. L. M. Johnson, Texas, chaplain; Mrs. Bagnall Webb, Virginia, auditor; Mrs. Grace Wilson Evans, Terre Haute, Ind., chairman of legislative department; Mrs. Lucy Harth Smith, Lexington, Ky., supervisor of National Association of Colored Girls; Mrs. Susie V. Bouldin, Kansas City, Kas., national chairman of Arts and Crafts department; Mrs. Katherine Helm. Wichita, secretary of the executive board.

Arts And Crafts A Feature

On the administrative board to assist Miss Williams and Mrs. Moton are Mrs. Christine Smith, Detroit; Mrs. S. Joe Brown, Des Moines; Miss Anna Gillham, Arkansas; Dr. Mary F. Waring, Chicago; Mrs. Lethia C. Fleming, Cleveland.

The outstanding feature of the convention was the arts and crafts exhibition under the supervision of Mrs. Susie V. Bouldin of Kansas City, Kas.

Among the loving cups awarded under the auspices of this division, Texas was awarded three, Missouri two and Kansas one.

The regional cup given by Senator Arthur Capper of Kansas to the region having the best exhibition in arts and crafts was awarded to the Southeast region of which Mrs. R. A. Ransom of Fort Worth is president.

Southeast Region Reorganized

The southeast region, which was reorganized at this meeting is composed of the states of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Texas.

The Central region of which Mrs. Myrtle Foster Cook of Kansas City is president was awarded second place.

The National Arts and Crafts cup given by the organization was awarded to Texas for having the best single exhibit of any state. Mrs. C. H. Christian of Austin is president of the Texas association. The Kansas Association of which Mrs. Katherine Helm is president won second place, Mississippi, Mrs. J. E. Johnson of Prentiss, Miss., third.

Roosevelt's Cup To Texas

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt's cup, offered to the state with the best collection of hand made, crocheted or knitted dresses was awarded to Texas.

The Mary F. Waring cup for the best collection of quilts went to the Misouri association of which Mrs. Myrtle Anthony of St. Louis is president.

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The N. A. C. G. supervisor's cup for the most outstanding piece of work among girls was awarded to Miss Mary E. Rowe of Independence, Kas.

Kansas Girls Win Cup

The Kansas Asscciation of Colored Girls also was awarded the N. A. C. G. cup for outstanding state exhibit.

The California Girls' association sent to the convention a miniature of the San Francisco Bay bridge which drew favorable comment from those who viewed the exhibitions.

Miss Jane E. Hunter of Cleveland presided during the nomination Wednesday evening.

Commenting upon the Fort Worth meeting, one of the officers observed: "It is the consensus of opinion that this is one of the finest conventions that has been held in the history of the National Association of Colored Women."

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Woman's Work -1937

National Association of Colored Women.

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Other Officers

Miss Arsania Williams of St. Louis was named vice-president. Other officers are:

Miss M. Josengerger, first recording secretary; Mrs. Nannie M. Williams, second recording secretary; Mrs. Ella P. Stewart of Toledo, treasurer; and Mrs. A. B. Dement, chairman of the executive board.

42 STATES AT WOMEN'S MEET IN FT. WORTH

Mmes. Taylor, Moton, Fleming In Fight For Presidency

By R. S. SIMMONS
(Defender Staff Representative)

FORT WORTH, Tex., July 30—(Special)—A near capacity audience turned out Sunday afternoon here to the mass meeting of the 20th Biennial convention of the National Association of Colored Women held at the spacious Rogers Memorial Municipal auditorium, white.

The convention proper is being held at the new Mt. Gilead Baptist church of which Dr. L. K. Williams, Chicago church figure, was former pastor. Rev. R. T. Andrews is the present pastor. The convention was said to be the largest affair held here since the National Baptist convention in 1922. The sessions began July 25 and will end on July 30.

Registration of delegates featured the opening day of the convention when the executive board met. Mrs. Lethia Fleming of Cleveland, O., chairman, presided after coming here by plane. The board is composed of the presidents of the 42 states which are represented in the association, and twelve elective officers, heads of departments and standing committees, totaling about 150 people.

Reception Given

Mrs. Daisy E. Lampkin of Pittsburgh, vice president of the association, presided at the mass meeting. The Rev. R. T. Andrews offered the invocation after which music was provided by Mrs. Pearl Lowry Winters of California; the Harry T. Burleigh chorus, Mrs. F. M. Winn, directress; Hall Cain, Mrs. Josephine Brice Johnson and the San Antonio Music club, Mrs. G. A. Deslandes, directress.

Dr. Mary F. Waring, retiring president, presented the presidents of the various branches and the Rev. K. W. McMillan gave the benediction. A get-acquainted reception was held, Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. R. A. Ransom, chairman of the planning committee. The affair was given by the Alphin Charity and Art club of Fort Worth.

Monday, an organ recital was presented and the Rev. Ida Mae Myller led devotions. State presidents spoke two minutes each during the presentation program, in which committees were appointed and delegates presented. Mrs. Fleming gave the report of the executive board.

Mrs. R. A. Ransom presided over the evening session and those taking part were: Mrs. G. A. Deslandes, Rev. J. H. Winn, pastor of St. James Baptist church; Harry T. Burleigh club, Mrs. F. M. Winn, directress.

Others participating were: Mrs. L. M. Johnson, greetings from City federation, white; Mrs. P. S. Goginsky, Mrs. C. H. Christian, Mrs. aughn Pyle, welcome from the city of Fort Worth;, the mayor, Hon. W. J. Hammond; Dr. G. D. Flemings, Mrs. Fredricka Perry, Mrs. Dora Needham Lee, Miss Marguerite Pennybacker, K. W. Milan, Jr. Presentation of the national president was made by Mrs. A. B. Dement and the biennial address, Dr. Mary Warfield. Benediction was by Rev. S. R. Prince, pastor of Mt. Pisgah Baptist church.

Beginning at 8 a.m., Tuesday brough forth another splendid progrom opening with an organ recital; devotions, Rev. Ida Mae Myller; Mrs. Maude Roberts George led songs.

Mrs. Catherine Helm of Kansas, Mrs. Annie Gilliam of Arkansas, Mrs. Laura Coleman of Texas, Mrs. G. H. Mason of Texas, Mrs. P. D. Johnson of Texas, Mrs. D. E. Williams of Texas, Mrs. Mayme Phillips of Texas, Mrs. Margie Hollins of Texas, Mrs. Susie Boulden of Kansas, Mrs. R. R. Morton of Virginia, Mrs. J. Daniels Ames of Georgia, Mrs. J. B. Brock, Mrs. Jane Hunter of Ohio, Mrs. Lillian Edmonds, Iowa, O. J. Washington of New Mexico and Sarah Lee Fleming, Connecticut were others on the program.

Among those on program in the afternoon were: Mrs. Maud Roberts George, Mrs. Minnie F. Wright of Massachusetts, Mrs. Josephine Brice Johnson, Miss Venoris Mae Williams, Texas; Texas Girls' chorus, Mrs. Rosetta Williams of Chicago, Mrs. Catherine Helm of Kansas, Mrs. Mary Goodwin of New Jersey and Mrs. Esther Greenly, California.

Committee heads were: progress of music, Mrs. Ruth Henderson and Grace Wilson Evans; supreme court, Mrs. A. P. Mack, Alabama, and Mrs. Irene Gaines of Illinois; Anti-Lynch bill, Mrs. Seigel Bryant, Michigan and Mrs. Elizabeth Ross Haynes, New York. Distribution of educational funds, Mrs. Eliabeth P. Fouse and rural rehabilitation, Mrs. Charlotte Hawkins Brown.

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Others on the program were: Mrs Belle Davis of New York, Dr. M O. Bousfield, Illinois; Dr. Mae McCarrol of New Jersey and Dr. R. A Ransom of Texas, all of whom spoke on public health.

Wednesday, with the convention having covered half of the program the delegates gathered in the auditorium at 8 a.m., and opened with their usual organ recital. After a business session there was a final report of the credential committee, a report of the nominating committee, report on sale of kits and badges and a report of state presidents. A mandate against war was made by Mrs. H. L. McCrory of North Carolina.

At 2 p.m., when the meeting reconvened, first on program was club women's prayer followed by leadership responsibility by Mrs. Nannie Reed of Illinois; Mrs. John W. Munday of Alabama, Mrs. Lucy Miller of Mississippi and Mrs. Ella P. Stewart of Ohio. Mrs. Marie Madre Marshall of Washington, D. C., talked on education. Discussion—New Methods, Prof. W. T. B. Williams of Tuskegee, Mrs. H. M. Gatewood of Colorado and Mrs. Wanda Begnal Webb of Virginia. Mrs. Lillian Jones Brown of Indiana, gave the statistical report.

The election of the president was the big topic from the beginning of the meeting. Three had declared themselves in the race. They are Mrs. Rebecca Stiles Taylor of Chicago, Mrs. R. R. Moton of Tuskegee and Mrs. Lethia C. Flemings of Cleveland.

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As we go to press, all are looking forward to the election which is scheduled to be held, Thursday. From the look of things, this will be one of the hottest elections held in the history of the association. Don't fail to get a **Defender** to see the new elected officers of this great association.

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Politics Spoils Meet

By HELEN WILES BROWN

FT. WORTH, Tex., Aug. 6—(Special)—The National Association of Colored Women, Inc., closed its 20th biennial convention after a week of heated discussions, frantic and questionable behavior, intimidating practices, unclean and petty politics and evidences of base ingratitude and prejudice.

It was obvious from the beginning that the whole affair was motivated by some unseen power that had been at work for sometime.

The baleful influence of the outgoing administration was felt throughout the meeting in the way of mud-slinging, suppression of opposing views, appointment of committees, recognition of delegates, time allotted to speakers, stuffing the ballot box, and last of all the theft of the ballot box which prevented a recount of votes for the parliamentarian's position.

High Points of Interest

One of the high points of interest was the presiding of the chairman of the executive board, Mrs. Lethia Fleming of Cleveland.

Although slated to be slaughtered by Ohio, Mrs. Fleming displayed wisdom, tact, and fairness in her dealings and patience untold with the myriad interruptions and difficult situations that continuously arose during her meetings.

It was a surprise to all when she rose above the wiles of her enemies and was elected to membership on the administrative board.

Too much praise cannot be given the club women of Texas and the auxiliary committee of men that assisted them. The entertainment provided for the visiting delegates surpassed all former conventions. If things went wrong it was not the fault of the Texans.

As usual, Illinois had the largest delegation. The Illinois delegation stood almost as a unit to their secret ballot, but they were held as a pawn to be bartered and sold by those whose duty it was to serve and because of the questionable and selfish actions of its leaders, the Illinois delegates failed to accomplish their plans. However, the delegation was able to elect its favorite daughter, Mrs. Nannie Mae Williams, as second recording secretary

Wide Publicity Given

The courteous and generous publicity given the organization by the Hon. Robert S. Abbott, editor and publisher of **The Chicago Defender** was the bone of contention throughout the entire meeting.

The passing administration and its supporters assailed **The Defender** and refused to permit its representative to bring greetings from the man who had made possible the dissemination of news that brought 330 delegates from all parts of the country to the convention.

There were those, however, who felt otherwise and before the meeting was closed, a decided vote of appreciation was extended **The Chicago Defender** for the "woman page" which has carried the news of 40 states for the past four months.

Mrs. Grace Evans Praises

Mrs. Grace Evans, president of Indiana women, sounded the note of praise for the services given the women, and she was joined by the majority of the house who up to that moment little realized what it was all about.

Secretary of Agriculture Wallace sent greetings through a special representative who was present to welcome the incoming officers.

Eight Years of Struggle

The meeting here closed eight years of struggle for existence for the national headquarters of the association in Washington, D. C. One year after it was established, it was thought necessary by those in control that it be sold. However, the women have held on and regardless of all irregularities and what-not it is believed that the incoming administration will see the value of headquarters and will rally to its support.

New Officers

The newly elected officers are: Mrs. Jennie D. Moton, of Alabama, and wife of Dr. Robert R. Moton, ex-president of Tuskegee Institute, president; Mrs. Sallie W. Stewart, Indiana, executive secretary; Miss Arsania Williams, Missouri, vice president; Mrs. Ada Belle Dement, Texas, chairman of executive board; Mrs. Katherine Helm, Kansas, secretary of executive board; Mrs. Ella P. Stewart, Ohio, treasurer; Mrs. Mayme Josenberger, Arkansas, first recording secretary; Mrs. Nannie Mae Williams, Illinois, second recording secretary; Mrs. Ida Henderson, Georgia, third recording secretary; Mrs. Lizzie Fouse, Kentucky, statistician; Mrs. Elizabeth Lindsay Davis, Illinois, historian; Mrs. Irene McCoy-Gaines, Illinois, assistant historian; Mrs. M. J. Brockway, Oklahoma, parliamentarian; Mrs. Wanzer Bagnall Webb, Virginia, auditor, and Mrs. M. L. Johnson, Texas, chaplain

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NEW YORK, N. Y. (SNS)- The National Council of Negro Women will meet in conference at the YWCA here on Saturday, December 18, it is announced today by the founder and president, Mary McLeod Bethune. The business meeting opens at 10 o'clock in the morning with the dinner meeting of the conference on Saturday evening at 6 p. m. to be addressed by Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, wife of the President of the United States.

The purpose of the conference is to perfect the organization of the Council and to study the program of service for the future.

The paramount objective of the Council is to bring together the representatives of all types of national organizations among Negro women—church and fraternal business and professional, federated clubs, sororities, etc., representing youth and maturity, in order to pool the best thinking of the entire group for concerted action upon the problems pertinent to the race, the nation and the world. The Council seeks further to integrate the thoughts and ideals of the Negro womanhood of our nation into the planning and thinking of the women of other races in America and the world.

The program of the National Council will not replace or usurp the specialized programs of the individual organizations but, acting in a similar relationship to that of the federal government to the states, will represent the coordinated action and unified front of Negro womanhood at a time when cooperation is most necessary and most fruitful of results.